



FIRE COMMAND 1C COMING TO FIRE OFFICER

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Ninth Class Becomes A Requirement Effective November 1 2004

Fire Command 1C is the newest command course for Fire Officer certification. The purpose of Fire Command 1C, I-Zone Fire Fighting for Company Officers, is to bring the company officer out of the city and into the urban/interface. In other words, from his or her comfort zone into an area that could very well be quite unfamiliar.

Unfortunately, this change in environment has led to numerous injuries and even death for a number of fire fighters. Studies have shown that, in most of these cases, a large number of the injuries and deaths could have been avoided had the fire fighters been trained on the material in this course.

Fire Command 1C is designed somewhat differently than other State Fire Training command courses in that the simulation is not saved for the end. Simulation is designed to be used throughout this course as each topic is presented. Much of the work involves research by the student either individually or in groups. Unit tests are spread throughout the course and involve the use of materials the company officer should have access to in the field, whether carried by the officer or on the apparatus he or she is assigned. Therefore, this course requires the students to have several manuals and guides in order to successfully complete this course.



REQUIRED STUDENT TEXTS

Five manuals are required for this course:

- ① Fire Command 1C Student Supplement, SFT, 2004 Edition
- ② Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior S-190 Student Workbook, NWCG (NFES 1860), 1994 Edition
- ③ Incident Response Pocket Guide, NWCG (NFES 1077), 2004 Edition
- ④ Fireline Handbook, NWCG (NFES 0065), 2004 Edition
- ⑤ ICS 420-1 Field Operations Guide, FIRESCOPE, 2004 Edition

INSTRUCTOR MATERIALS

Additional instructor materials required for this course:

- ① Fire Command 1C Instructor Guide, SFT, 2004 Edition
- ② Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior Instructor Guide, NWCG (NFES 1859), 1994 Edition
- ③ "Firefighter Safety in the Wildland/Urban Interface" video series, FIREWISE, 2003 Edition, (Videotape: FWC-602-03-VST or Disk: DVD/FWC-602-03-DV)
- ④ "Battles Lost" video, NWCG (NFES 2565)
- ⑤ "Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior" video, NWCG (NFES 1861)
- ⑥ "Fire Weather" video, NWCG (NFES 2236)
- ⑦ PowerPoint Slides on CD-ROM (Optional)

COURSE PREREQUISITES

- ① Fire Command 1A
- ② I-200, Basic ICS

COURSE CONTENT

Six units make up the course content:

- ① Introduction
- ② The Fire Environment
- ③ Incident Command System
- ④ I-Zone Operation Principles
- ⑤ Safety and Survival
- ⑥ I-Zone Incident Operations

FIRE OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As a reminder, you are required to meet the certification requirements that are in effect at the time of your application. Applying for Fire Officer certification can be made at any time by paying the current certification fee. It is not necessary to have completed all the courses or met the prerequisite and experience requirements.

If your payment and application for Fire Officer certification is processed before the October 2004 PACE I meeting, you will not be required to complete Fire Command 1C. If however, you do not apply before this date, you will need to complete this course in order to be certified.

INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

- I. Instructor Training
 - A. Completed Fire Instructor 1A and 1B, -or-
 - B. Have a valid community college teaching credential, -or-
 - C. Completed the UC/CSU 60-hour Techniques of Teaching course, -or-
 - D. Completed the NFA's Fire Service Instructional Methodology course, -or-
 - E. Completed four semester units of upper division credit in educational materials, methods and curriculum development
- II. Occupational Experience
 - A. Held the rank of company officer for a minimum of five (5) years with a wildland or urban/interface fire department in California. Performing in an "acting" capacity does not qualify.
 - B. Satisfactorily performed in the ICS position of Division/Group Supervisor on a minimum of two (2) wildland incidents that extended 24-hours beyond the initial burning phase (first 24-hours).
- III. Course Work
 - A. Fire Command 1A
 - B. Fire Command 1C
 - C. I-300, Intermediate ICS (minimum)
 - D. S-290, Intermediate to Wildland Fire Behavior
 - E. S-404, Safety Officer
- IV. Teaching Experience
 - A. Taught a minimum of 80 hours within a fire service related program.
- V. Orientation
 - A. Attend an Instructor Orientation delivered by SFT or be a currently registered SFT instructor in good standing.

REGISTRATION

- I. Submit a complete application package for review that includes all of the following:
 - A. Application cover letter.
 - B. Up-to-date resume of education, position/rank, and experience.
 - C. Verification of instructor training. Submit copies of the score letters or completion certificates.
 - D. Verification of occupational experience. Written verification of your occupational experience shall be submitted on department letterhead and signed by your Fire Chief.
 - E. Verification of course work. Submit copies of the score letters or completion certificates.
 - F. Verification of teaching experience. Written verification of your teaching experience shall be submitted on department letterhead and signed by the Fire Chief, College Administrator, or his/her authorized representative.